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CONTROL ORGAN SUPERVISES PRODUCTION IN HUNGARIAN ENTERPRISE;  
WORKERS' VACATIONS DEPEND ON PARTICIPATION IN PARTY ACTIVITIES

CONTROL ORGAN INSTALLED IN SZTALINVAROS TO LOWER EXCESS NORM ACHIEVEMENT,  
 SUPERVISE QUALITY OF WORK

In fall 1951, the Ministry of Construction established a new control organ at the Sztalinvaros construction project. The mission of this organ is to prevent workers and working brigades from exceeding their norms to such an extent that the quality of their work is neglected. This control organ uses measures to determine whether the workers actually exceed their norms and whether the extra pay for overfulfillment is justified.

Ferenc Weisz, head of the newly established quality control organ, supervises the following control officers: Janos Grosz, in charge of carpentry work; Gyula Serfozo, in charge of reinforced-concrete work; and Karoly Dudas, in charge of various other work performances. These men have been authorized to enter any construction project at any time. Among other things, they control materials and work methods.

At the end of September 1951, when the control officers started to operate, the foremen ordered them from the construction project area. However, they returned, accompanied by AVH (Allamvedelmi Hatosag, State Security Authority) members and equipped with a ministerial order procured by Miklos Kovacs, general director of the Sztalinvaros construction management.

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The following examples illustrate the work of the control organ:

On 2 November 1951, a reinforced-concrete worker exceeded the norm by 230 percent. Weisz, who investigated the work, granted the worker an excess of only 95 percent, without giving any explanation. On the same day, the Kalocsy brigade exceeded its norm by 340 percent. However, Weisz approved only 60 percent of the brigade's total production.

Furthermore, the quality control organ does not grant full credit for work such as transporting and loading, the quality of which cannot be judged. The Jozsef Eisen Dunal brigade, for example had to transport gravel and cement by hand beyond the 100-meter maximum established for the transportation of material without mechanical equipment; in this case the payroll department had authorized a total work performance of 314 percent. However, the control officers credited the brigade with only 35 percent of the total work performance.

In a similar case, the norm fulfillment of 490 percent achieved by the Antal Jendard carpentry brigade was reduced to 40 percent [of the total performance] by Serfozo and Grosz.

BAMERT FACTORY EMPLOYEES RECEIVE VACATION IN STATE HOME [RESORT] ONLY AFTER ACTIVE FULFILLMENT OF PARTY WORK

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The workers of Bamert (Banyagbertekesito Vallalat, Enterprise for Trading in Mine Machinery), Ujpest Baross, utca 92-96, which produces mining machinery, receive 14-day vacations in state resorts at reduced rates, but only after fulfillment of party work as determined by the party organization of the plant.

Once a week for example, the plant workers must attend a half-hour Szabad Nap [Hungarian Communist Party organ] news conference, which is held at 0600 hours, one hour before work begins. In the presence of the Communist Party secretary of the plant, political events are discussed in accordance with the articles and news items published by the newspaper.

Moreover, the workers have to attend a weekly production meeting which is held after working hours. Subjects which are discussed include the acquisition of new subscribers to the party newspaper, Communist Party activities, etc.

When a worker meets all these obligations and thus proves that he is an ardent Communist, he is granted a vacation in a state resort. The vacation schedule is arranged without regard to the wishes of the individual workers. Only the prominent Communists of the factory are excluded from these rigorous rules; they, of course, take their vacations in these resorts during the summer months.

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